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Under the heading DOMESTIC PRIORITY DATA AS CLAIMED BY APPLICANT:

The domestic priority information is incomplete.

The Domestic Priority reads, "This application is a CON of 09/710,288 11/10/2000 PAT 6,663,610" and should be

-- This application is a CON of 09/710,288 11/10/2000 PAT 6,663,610 which is a CIP of 09/673,406 10/17/2000 which is a 35 USC 271 of PCT/US99/08207 04/15/1999 which claims priority to 60/082,125 04/17/1998 --.

The Domestic Priority Data is listed correctly on the Utility Patent Application Transmittal, the Application Data Sheet, and page 1 of the Specification.

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